

08-402 Louisiana State Penitentiary

Agency Description

The Louisiana State Penitentiary (LSP), a maximum security facility, is located at Angola, on an isolated 18,000-acre site in the bend of the Mississippi River. It was opened in 1901 and today is the largest correctional facility in the south and one of the largest in the United States. Within LSP's boundaries are the 2,000-man Main Prison and four "outcamps," which are largely self-contained living units of various sizes. The worst behaved, most violent inmates in the LSP population are placed in the court-approved Camp J Management Program. The LSP also houses Louisiana's death row and execution chamber. On the LSP grounds is a community of approximately 250 homes and 750 people (staff and family members), which is supported by a post office, community center, grocery store, and recreational facilities. The Louisiana State Penitentiary attained American Correctional Association accreditation in January 1994 and has since maintained accreditation. LSP was removed from court oversight on April 7, 1999.

The mission of the Louisiana State Penitentiary is to provide for the custody, control, care, and treatment of adjudicated offenders through enforcement of the laws and management of programs designed to ensure the safety of the public, staff, and inmates and reintegrate offenders into society.

The goals of the Louisiana State Penitentiary are:

1. Public Safety: Maximize public safety through appropriate and effective correctional custodial programs, supervisory services and community partnerships.
2. Staff and Inmate Safety: Provide for the safety of correctional staff and inmates by maintaining an organized and disciplined system of operations that promotes stability in our institutional and other field operations.
3. Provision of Basic Services: Provide appropriate services for victims of crimes committed by those offenders in our custody or under our supervision; and ensure that basic services relating to adequate food, clothing, health care, and shelter are provided to the inmate population.
4. Opportunity for Change: Provide an environment which enables positive behavior change by making or identifying educational and rehabilitative opportunities available within the unit or the community for inmates and persons under supervision who demonstrate motivation for change and the desire to participate in such programs.
5. Opportunity for Making Amends: Provide opportunities for making restitution and participating in community restorative initiatives as a mechanism to compensate individuals and communities harmed by crime.

The Louisiana State Penitentiary has five programs: Administration, Incarceration, Rehabilitation, Health Services and Auxiliary.

AGENCY BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 2001-2002	ACT 13 2002-2003	EXISTING 2002-2003	CONTINUATION 2003-2004	RECOMMENDED 2003-2004	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$86,009,825	\$86,352,564	\$86,352,564	\$96,086,397	\$90,735,854	\$4,383,290
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	0	0	0	172,500	172,500	172,500
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	6,003,577	6,944,830	6,944,830	6,761,967	6,137,336	(807,494)
Statutory Dedications	0	3,787,111	3,787,111	0	0	(3,787,111)
Interim Emergency Board	14,598	0	200,000	0	0	(200,000)
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$92,028,000	\$97,084,505	\$97,284,505	\$103,020,864	\$97,045,690	(\$238,815)
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration	\$8,784,048	\$8,739,598	\$8,739,598	\$10,017,202	\$9,688,515	\$948,917
Incarceration	66,851,409	70,129,040	70,329,040	74,064,343	68,532,773	(1,796,267)
Rehabilitation	641,490	677,890	677,890	694,573	1,027,659	349,769
Health Services	12,417,211	13,437,977	13,437,977	14,155,109	13,694,312	256,335
Auxiliary Account	3,333,842	4,100,000	4,100,000	4,089,637	4,102,431	2,431
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$92,028,000	\$97,084,505	\$97,284,505	\$103,020,864	\$97,045,690	(\$238,815)
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	1,734	1,722	1,722	1,724	1,689	(33)
Unclassified	18	18	18	20	21	3
TOTAL	1,752	1,740	1,740	1,744	1,710	(30)